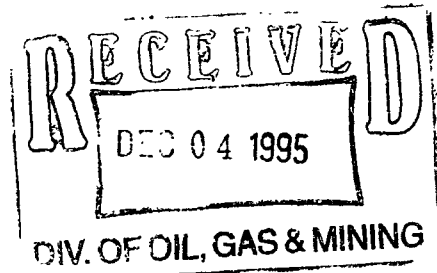


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Re: Kennecott Copper

Dear David:

This is to confirm our earlier discussion to the effect that the Board of Oil, Gas & Mining will only rule on the merits of Kennecott's request for self-bonding on the "North Impoundment Expansion Project" if and when that matter is brought back to the Board for a formal adjudication. At that time, which would follow the Division's appropriate permit approval process, the Division will be in position to make a recommendation. To insure good communication, perhaps you would be so kind as to forward a copy of this letter to Kennecott's Director of Treasury Services, Mr. Kenneth P. Done.

Very truly yours,,

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